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New faces join Village Hall Committee

A new Village Hall Committee has been formed and new trustees appointed. Tom Aindow has stepped down from the Chairman role (thanks Tom!) and Clair Dempsey takes over.

The Parish Council has appointed Tom as a trustee, alongside Brenda Hughes and David Hyde.

The committee, with several new faces, is up and running and has lots of ideas for future improvements.

If you are interested in hiring the hall you can contact the new Bookings Secretary Katie Raybould by emailing GawsworthVH@gmail.com

Fix my street

Cheshire East Council has adopted a new called 'Fix My Street' to manage enquiries about highways faults including potholes, pavement damage, obscured signs etc. You can also use the system to report fly tipping, fly posting, hedge, verge and tree problems, litter and street sweeping issues etc. Google 'Fix my Street – Cheshire East' to locate the service.

A handy feature is to search all reports to see if a problem has been reported before. Top Tip: Include 'closed reports' in your search as a [cont.]

Where in Gawsworth?



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Gawsworth Hub News



Following recent village events where we were able to meet so many people with connections to Gawsworth, we have seen a healthy increase in footfall in the Hub shop and café.

A new range of child friendly snacks has been added to the café menu including milk shakes (chocolate, vanilla, and strawberry). We have a highchair in the café and baby changing facilities within our accessible toilet area.

Janet's home-made cakes are always popular. In addition to our regular range of freshly baked scones, chocolate cake

and lemon drizzle, this month's special was a gooseberry and lemon cake thanks to a kind donation of surplus gooseberries from a local resident! Our outside seating area is available if you prefer to be outside, alternatively we have seating for up to 12 inside. We are always appreciative of donations of surplus home-grown products or maybe you could bake a cake or tray bake once a month for sale in the shop or café.

As our community shop becomes busier, our volunteers are working hard to adapt to increased demand. This includes looking at increased stock levels to meet your needs and extended opening hours. If you are able to offer a few hours volunteer support per month to help us extend our opening hours in the shop and café, please call into the hub and have a chat with Janet or Kathryn.

To help us, help you, did you know that you can pre order your takeaway sandwiches, we can then prepare them in advance to save unnecessary waiting when you call in to collect. Call us on 01625 425428 with your order.

To welcome newcomers to our village, we offer a £5 gift voucher for use in the hub shop or café. If you know of any people moving into the village, please let us know in the Hub so that we can arrange to deliver their introductory voucher to them.

One of our Hub volunteers, Russell Burgess, is taking part in the 'Galivanting Grandads' London to Brighton cycle ride in aid of the Alzheimer's Society on Sunday 11th September. To support his fundraising efforts, Janet Keates, our





community activities manager, along with a number of Hub volunteers will, on the

same day, be undertaking a sponsored 10k walk around Astbury Mere.

If you would like to be involved or offer sponsorship to Russell or Janet, please call Janet on 07946 199117

Our aim is to serve the local community and your feedback is always appreciated. Please pass on any comments when you are in the Hub and we will note them, alternatively please send any comments to enquiries@gawsworthhub.co.uk.

August Events @ the Hub

1st August 11-12
PCSO surgery

6th August 10:30-12
Parish councillor surgery

10th August 2-4
Knit and Natter

27th August 10-12:30
Gardening Club

For further details about Hub events, please visit our website www.gawsworthhub.co.uk

Vacancy for councillor as Evelyn steps down

A vacancy has arisen on the Parish Council following the resignation of Cllr Evelyn Briggs. Evelyn who was first elected to the council in 2011, served as chairman in 2016 and 2017, tendered her resignation in July.

Cllr Penny Shepherd, chairman of the Parish Council said "On behalf of the council we thank Evelyn for her efforts on behalf of Gawsworth

during her time as a councillor. Her financial background and housing knowledge were helpful additions to the council."

Residents of Moss ward have until 2nd August to request a by-election with Cheshire East Council, otherwise the council will co-opt a new councillor at the September meeting. If you are interested in serving as a Parish Councillor please contact

the clerk at clerk@gawsworthpc.org.uk



Thanks, John!

John Trueman has retired from his role on the Village Hall committee after being a stalwart for this much loved and well used Gawsworth asset since the early 80s.

John followed in his father's footsteps, who

was one of the original group who established the hall in the 1950s when the building was moved from its original Hurdfield location. Gawsworth was into conservation and reusing resources even back then! John served

as Chairman for two stints and as Treasurer for the Village Hall Committee for about the last 12 years, including overseeing the finances of the major recent internal refurbishment. Huge thanks go to him for his efficient and fuss-free support for the over so many years. John passes on the reins with the Village Hall in a sound financial position and is working with new treasurer David Hyde for a smooth transition.

Fix my street

[cont.] problem may have been closed without any action being taken. You may need to be very patient as the central grants to local authorities for highway repairs have been severely cut over recent years.

If you want to report a problem with a public footpath there's a different system.

Try googling 'Cheshire East Public Rights of Way' which should take you to the right form. The PROW (Public Rights of Way) team usually respond quickly and have sorted out several problems in Gawsworth.

Waste Watchers

There's a rather useful app from Cheshire East Council called waste watchers. Knowing what goes in which bin can be a challenge but it's all listed in the app. And what can you take to the recycling centre? We all know our bin day, no doubt, but what about when collections are missed or it's holiday time? Just consult the app for the latest info.



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The Community Orchard in the Park of course. Still some time before the fruit will be ready to pick but it's good to see fruit beginning to appear on our little trees.

For the future, Gawsworth Gardening Club have plans to create a community vegetable garden and a sensory garden which gained the support of the Parish Council at its July meeting.

Watch this green space.